

High School Composition

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Syllabus

This course introduces high school students to the writing style developed by the Institute for Excellence in Writing.

This course will cover:

- Note-taking
- Outlining passages
- Summarizing narrative stories
- Researching and writing reports
- Writing critiques
- Writing a formal 5-paragraph essay
- Organization, logic, and flow
- Stylistic techniques
- Grammar and vocabulary (as they relate to composition)

Materials:

- **Classical Rhetoric through Structure and Style** workbook which can be ordered at IEW.com with ISBN: 978-0-9779860-8-8 along with the complimentary download of the Student Resource Notebook (110 pages). Both workbooks should be brought to class each week.
- **Baron's PAINLESS Vocabulary** from anywhere books are sold. ISBN 978-1-4380-0778-6
- \$10 material fee, payable to Kathy Williams
- College-ruled notebook paper
- Pen(s) for writing in class
- Highlighter
- Students must have reliable internet access.
- Students must also have access to a printer, as they will be asked to bring in printed copies of their compositions for peer review and in-class revision.

Requirements and Expectations:

- Complete all homework and writing assignments
- Participate in class discussions and group activities
- Prepare reports to present to class

Incomplete/Late Assignments: Students are expected to submit all assignments by the appropriate deadlines. Any late assignments may be lowered by one letter grade. Please inform the instructor prior to any planned absence.